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For: NANOCOMPOSITE SURGICAL MATERIALS AND METHOD OF  
PRODUCING THEM

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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INDEP	3	MINUS	** 3	0	X \$100	\$		X \$200	\$ 0
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+	\$180	\$	+	\$360
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\* not fewer than 20  
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Respectfully submitted,

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